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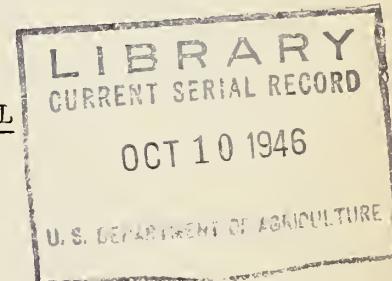
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1. SOUND: CASH REGISTER RINGS TWICE...MONEY IN TILL
2. JOHN: It's CONSUMER TIME !
3. SOUND: CASH REGISTER...CLOSE DRAWER
4. ANNCR: During the next fifteen minutes the National Broadcasting Company and its affiliated independent stations make their facilities available for the presentation of CONSUMER TIME by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. And here are your inquiring consumers...Mrs. Freyman and Johnny.
5. FREYMAN: Today we're going to talk about removing stains from fabrics, Johnny.
6. JOHN: Okay, Mrs. Freyman....I'm ready. Johnny on the spot. (CHUCKLES).
7. FREYMAN: Well, be careful, or you'll find that spot taken right out from under you.
8. JOHN: Hmm...is it that easy to remove stains? I always have a hard time when I spill something.
9. FREYMAN: Well...like everything else...it's easy when you know how. And it's very important these days to know how to keep clothes spotlessly clean.

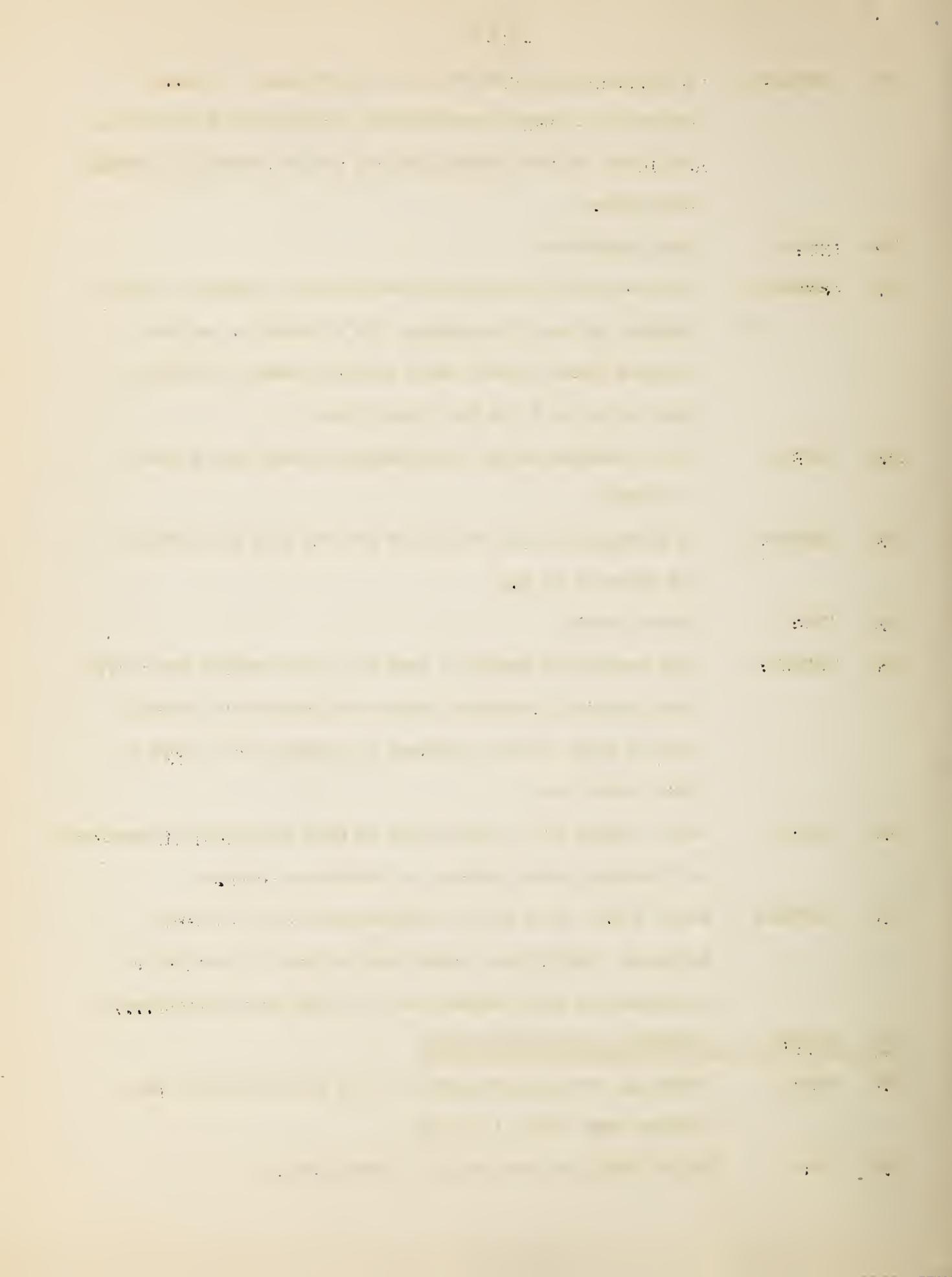


10. JOHN: Well....I think a neat appearance is always important.
Why do you think it's more so these days...atomic age
or something?
11. FREYMAN: My dear Johnny...have you tried to buy a suit lately?
12. JOHN: No I haven't. But what's the use of trying? They're
scarce as....Oh....I get it. I should be Johnny on the
spot to keep the spots off Johnny so my suits will last
longer.
13. FREYMAN: Congratulations, you figured it out all by yourself.
14. JOHN: Thanks.
15. FREYMAN: And it isn't just men's suits that are scarce and high
priced. So homemakers want to know how to keep their
own clothes clean. And they'll want the children's
clothes to last as long as possible.
16. JOHN: Well what do you do when the youngsters come in with a
mud pie adorning their fronts...or a nice fresh ink spot?
17. FREYMAN: Let's not get so specific for a minute, Johnny...because
if you remember a few simple general rules, it's easier
to do a better job of removing stains.
18. JOHN: For instance....
19. FREYMAN: Treat stains promptly...even before the stain dries,
if possible.
20. JOHN: That's so you won't forget to do it later.
21. FREYMAN: No...that's because it's easier to get the stain out right
away. If you wash and iron the garment, the hot soap suds
or the heat of the iron may set some stains...and then
where will you be?
22. JOHN: (TRAGICALLY) Marked for life, probably, by a gravy stain
on my best bib and tucker.

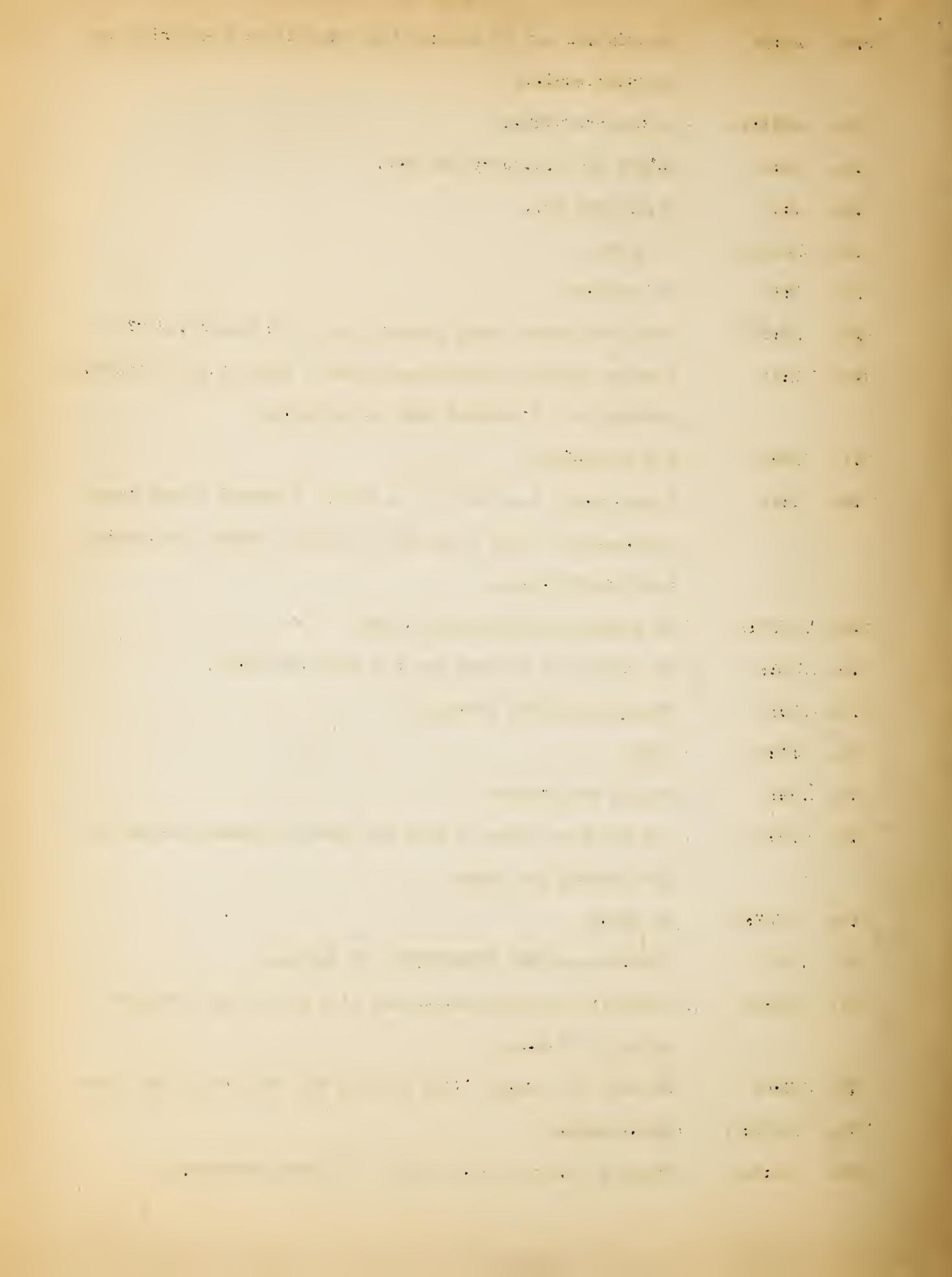
23. FREYMAN: Another good rule is to try simple methods of removing the stain first...now let's take non-greasy stains.
24. JOHN: Are they the easiest?
25. FREYMAN: No stain is easy. But try sponging a non-greasy stain with cold water. Of course you always try some water on an inconspicuous part of the garment first...to see if the water itself spots.
26. JOHN: That makes good sense. Then you just say..."out, out, old spot," splash some water on, and off comes the stain.
27. FREYMAN: Indeed you do not...you proceed much slower and carefully.
28. JOHN: Well, I like the direct approach.
29. FREYMAN: The right way is to place a pad of clean cloth underneath the stain...with the stain face down. Then you dampen a soft cloth with cold water and sponge the stain with light, brushing motions.
30. JOHN: OH ! I always scrub away frantically...no good, huh?
31. FREYMAN: Uh uh ! Light, brushing motions...working from the outside of the stain to the center.
32. JOHN: How do you keep the water from leaving a ring? Can it be done?
33. FREYMAN: Mmm hmm, it can...if you spread the moisture unevenly into the cloth around the stain. And you can be even more careful and put a layer of dry cloth over the dampened cloth you use for sponging...so you don't make the stain too moist.
34. JOHN: Now let me make sure I've got all this straight. If a stain isn't greasy...sponge it with cold water....
35. FREYMAN: Use light, brushing motions....

36. JOHN: And work from the outside of the stain toward the center.
37. FREYMAN: Very good, Johnny. Now, do you think you can tackle the problem of greasy stains?
38. JOHN: Sure I can...if you tell me how.
39. FREYMAN: Well you use something to dissolve the grease. Carbon tetrachloride is good...and it's non-inflammable too. You see, Johnny, I remember what you said a couple of weeks ago...about the people killed every year because they clean with gasoline in the house.
40. JOHN: Well I'm glad you do remembor...because it really is dangerous. Sometimes just rubbing a garment that is soaked with gasoline will make it burst into flames.
41. FREYMAN: Don't worry about me. I'm really convincoed. I've even checked up to find out what other cleaners are dangerous. Let's see if I can remember them...gasoline...naptha...ether...benzene.
42. JOHN: Turpentine....
43. FREYMAN: And alcohol...and acetone. None of these inflammable liquids for me...I'm going to chase away my greasy stains with cleaning fluids that say "non-inflammable on the label or I'm going to use carbon tetrachloride.
44. JOHN: A good resolution...but do you have to apply them any special way?
45. FREYMAN: Well you sponge the stain on the wrong side of the cloth, and....
46. JOHN: Now wait a minute. Why do you do it that way? It seems so indirect.

47. FREYMAN: I know...and you like the direct approach. Well....If you use the carbon tetrachloride on the back of the cloth, you flush out the stain...and the grease doesn't go through the fabric.
48. JOHN: Very ingenious.
49. FREYMAN: When you work with carbon tetrachloride, remember to work rapidly and use it sparingly. It's better to use the cleaning fluid several times quickly...than to apply it once and leave it on for a long time.
50. JOHN: Well, removing stains from fabrics is much easier than I thought.
51. FREYMAN: Oh Johnny....I hope you didn't get the idea that this is all there is to it.
52. JOHN: There's more?
53. FREYMAN: Much more...but luckily I know of a nice booklet that gives very specific directions about more complicated stains. And I'm going to tell everyone how to get a free copy a little later on.
54. JOHN: Well, I think it's a good start to know the general directions for handling grease stains and non-grease stains.
55. FREYMAN: Sure it is. Why I know a family...let's call them the Spillers. They'd have a much happier life if the lady of the house had this information at (FADE) her fingertips....
56. SOUND: APPROPRIATE BREAKFAST NOISES
57. JEAN: Hurry up, darling...breakfast is all ready and it's three minutes past eight all ready.
58. JAY: (PROJECTING) Be with you in a minute, Jean.



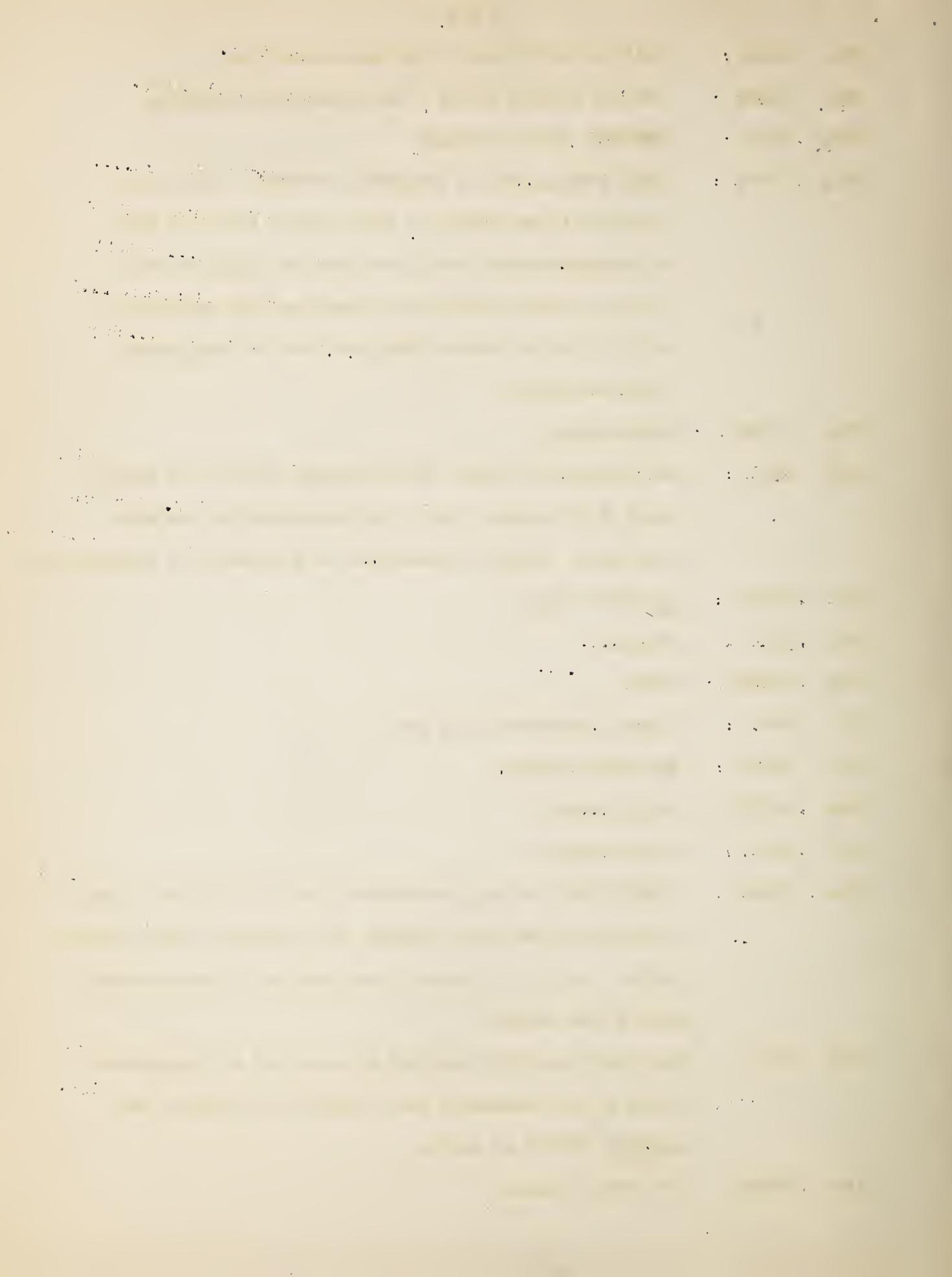
59. JEAN: Now Jayjay, sit up in your high chair like a big girl and eat your cereal.
60. JAYJAY: Waiting for Daddy.
61. JEAN: Aren't we all...hurry up Jay.
62. JAY: Hi...let's eat.
63. JAYJAY: Hi Daddy.
64. JAY: Hi Jayjay.
65. JEAN: What took you so long getting ready for breakfast, Jay?
66. JAY: I nicked myself shaving...and then I spilled the old iodine and some of it dripped down on my pants.
67. JEAN: Did it stain?
68. JAY: I hope not. See, here it is here. I rubbed it out with water...now if the water only will dry before I'm through with breakfast....
69. JAYJAY: Hi Daddy...hi Daddy...hi Daddy.
70. JEAN: She wants you to give her her glass of milk.
71. JAY: Oh...okay...here honey....
72. JEAN: Jay!
73. JAY: What's the matter?
74. JEAN: You got your elbow in your egg when you turned around to give Jayjay her milk.
75. JAYJAY: Hi Daddy.
76. JAY: (SIGHS....RATHER DISGUSTED) Hi Jayjay.
77. JEAN: Take off your coat dear...and I'll rub it out with hot water, if I can.
78. JAY: Oh drat it...here. I'll be late for the office sure now.
79. JAYJAY: Daddy...fix.
80. JEAN: Fix her bib, will you, Jay? It's come untucked.



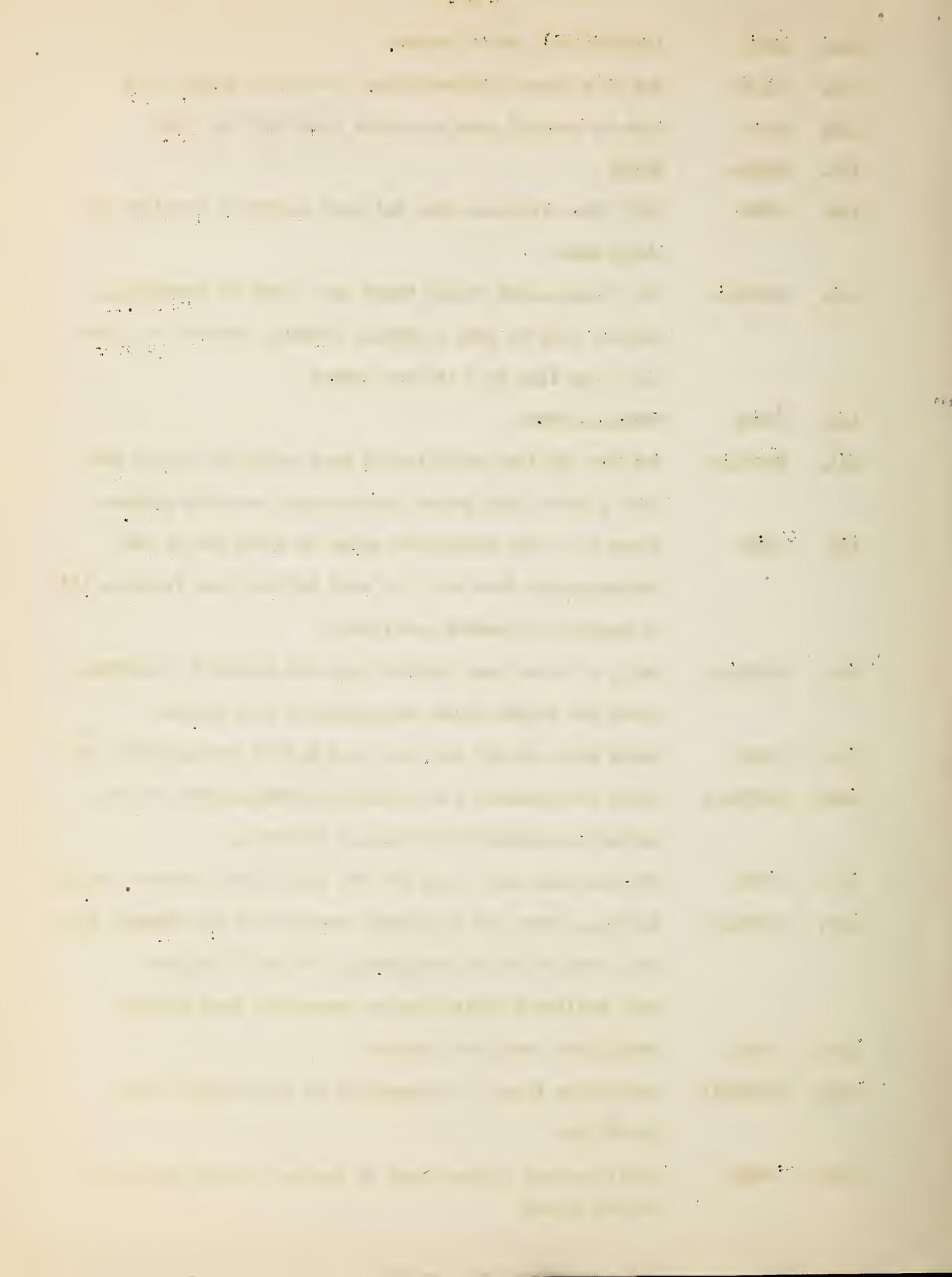
81. JAY: You mean she untucked it herself. Jayjay! Be careful...
oh rats!
82. JAYJAY: Rats!
83. JEAN: Now what happened?
84. JAY: Your daughter spilled coffee on my tie.
85. JEAN: My daughter nothing! You shouldn't have held your coffee cup in your other hand when you went to fix her bib. You know Jayjay has a lot of natural exuberance.
86. JAY: Natural exuberance...she deliberately reached for my coffee cup.
87. JEAN: Well...maybe she was thirsty.
88. JAYJAY: Jayjay thirsty.
89. JEAN: Drink your milk, dear.
90. JAYJAY: Okay.
91. JEAN: Now Jay...don't sulk. Bring your necktie over here to me and I'll see if I can clean it up.
92. JAY: I'm sunk if you can't. That's positively the last decent looking tie I have. At least it was...three minutes ago.
93. JEAN: All right...now you leave everything to me...and go finish your breakfast.
94. JAY: I don't want any more breakfast.
95. JEAN: Well...just go read your newspaper for a few minutes or something.
96. JAY: Jean...it's twenty minutes past eight. You always say I'm not supposed to take time to read my paper before I leave in the morning...remember our schedule?
97. JEAN: (GETTING CROSS) Now Jay...every morning you sneak a look at the paper...schedule or no schedule...and now when I tell you it's all right this morning...you bring up the schedule.



98. JAY: Well you don't have to get cross about it.
99. JEAN: I'm not getting cross. And you can stop shouting.
100. JAY: (SHOUTS) Who's shouting?
101. JEAN: (VERY QUIET...WITH AN OCCASIONAL SNIFFLE) You are....
This is all your fault. I didn't spill iodine on your
old suit...or push your sleeve into the egg...or tell
Jayjay to spill your coffee...down your old necktie...I
tried to get the stains off...but look at them...they
only look worse.
102. JAYJAY: Mommy crying.
103. JAY: Aw honey...I'm sorry. But everything seems to be going
wrong this morning. Here's my handkerchief. Now wipe
your eyes. (PAUSE) Thero...now that shows you I forgive you.
104. JEAN: You forgive me!
105. JAY: Ssh....
106. SOUND: PAUSE
107. JAY: There...everything okay now?
108. JEAN: Mmm hmm...okay....
109. JAYJAY: Okay...Daddy.
110. JAY: Okay, Jayjay.
111. JEAN: (HORRIFIED) Oh Jay,...everything isn't all right. I got
lipstick on your shirt collar. Take off your shirt quick...
maybe I can fix it up....I know there isn't another white
shirt in the drawer.
112. JAY: That does it...I've taken off my coat, and my tie...there's
iodine on my pants...and now lipstick on my shirt. Okay
...okay. Here's my shirt.
113. JEAN: I'll hurry dear....



114. JAY: (PROJECTING) Don't bother.
115. JEAN: But it's almost eight-thirty. Where you going, Jay?
116. JAY: Back to bed...I give up...this just isn't my day.
117. SOUND: PAUSE
118. JOHN: Well, Mrs. Freyman...the Spillers certainly lived up to their name.
119. FREYMAN: Yes Johnny...but really their name could be anything... because they're just a typical family. Haven't you ever had a day like that at your house?
120. JOHN: Often...often.
121. FREYMAN: But Mrs. Spiller could really have saved the day if she knew a few of the general rules about removing stains.
122. JOHN: Seems to me she dabbed hot water on every one of the stains....And from what you said before, Mrs. Freyman, it's no wonder her husband saw spots.
123. FREYMAN: Well, at least Mrs. Spiller knew she should do something about the stains right away...before they dried.
124. JOHN: Which spots should she have used carbon tetrachloride on?
125. FREYMAN: Well, you remember I said before, Johnny...that it was carbon tetrachloride for greasy stains....
126. JOHN: Oh yes...and cold water for the stains that weren't greasy.
127. FREYMAN: Right....Those are the simple remedies to try first. But they don't work for everything. So let's analyze Mrs. Spiller's stains and see where she went wrong.
128. JOHN: Okay...how about the iodine?
129. FREYMAN: Well...now there's an exception to the general rule right off.
130. JOHN: Can't you use either water or carbon tetrachloride for iodine spots?



131. FREYMAN: Not when the iodine is on a man's suit...because men's
woolens aren't washable.
132. JOHN: So? What do you do?
133. FREYMAN: You sponge the iodine stain with alcohol.
134. JOHN: Uh huh, Now...how about an egg stain?
135. FREYMAN: Well, Mrs. Spiller really did the wrong thing that time.
You should never use hot water on an egg stain....Because
heat only makes the egg harder to remove.
136. JOHN: So it's cold water for egg spots.
137. FREYMAN: Right...but first scrape away as much of the stain as
possible with a blunt knife.
138. JOHN: Now let's see...seems to me there was also the matter of a
little coffee decorating Mr. Spiller's necktie. What's
the story on that?
139. FREYMAN: Well, the necktie was probably either wool or silk...so
it should be sponged with lukewarm water. Then you really
should use glycerine for a coffee or tea spot...And then
another rinse with water.
140. JOHN: Now...how about the lipstick stains?
141. FREYMAN: Carbon tetrachloride would take care of lipstick on a
cotton shirt.
142. JOHN: Carbon tetrachloride....Oh well. You know Mrs. Freyman...
back in my courting days...my mother used to charge me
ten cents every time I'd come home with lipstick on my
collar. Think of the money I could have saved.
143. FREYMAN: (LAUGHS) Well at least you know how to remove lipstick
stains now, Johnny.
144. JOHN: Well it doesn't do me any good now .

145. FREYMAN: Why not? No lipstick on your collars ever?
146. JOHN: No....I don't live with my mother any more.
147. JOHN & FREYMAN: (LAUGH)
148. FREYMAN: Well, Johnny, I think you should be the very first one to get a free copy of this book called "Stain Removal from Fabrics...Home Method"....It's by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.
149. JOHN: Do you think it will keep me free from stains forever?
150. FREYMAN: Well, at least it will tell you the right way to remove the stains. And it has lots of swell tips about things like preventing rings...and how to restore colors.
151. JOHN: And I see that it tells which stain removers go with which kinds of fabrics.
152. FREYMAN: And which removers to use on which stains.
153. JOHN: And a couple of pages on, I notice there's a list of all the supplies to keep on hand for a complete emergency stain-removal shelf.
154. FREYMAN: Yes...but the last twenty pages are what I especially like. See? There are very full directions for removing individual stains. And besides, the book gives more than one way to do each one.
155. JOHN: Can't you just imagine all the questions about stains that people have, Mrs. Freyman?
156. FREYMAN: You mean like...how can I remove car grease from Junior's tweeds?
157. JOHN: Or how can I remove chewing gum from my mink scarf?

158. JEAN: Is it possible to remove fingernail polish from my best linen tablecloth without ruining the cloth?
159. JAYJAY: (NORMAL VOICE) Well, how do you remove ink from school clothes?
160. JAY: And how'd you say you remove gravy stains from vests again?
161. JEAN: How do you remove mustard and piccadilly stains? Guess what we had for supper last night.
162. JAYJAY: Is there any hope for mildew stains...fresh ones, I mean?
163. JOHN: Well, Mrs. Freyman, this is a mighty handy book if it can answer all those questions.
164. FREYMAN: It can, Johnny. And many more besides. And it's free to our listeners...if they just drop a postcard to CONSUMER TIME, Washington 25, D. C.
165. JOHN: The name of the booklet again....
166. FREYMAN: "Stain Removal from Fabrics...Home Method".
167. JOHN: And the address....
168. FREYMAN: CONSUMER TIME, Washington 25, D. C.
169. JOHN: And please be sure to include your name...your address... and the name of the station to which you are listening.
170. FREYMAN: And now Johnny...what's on CONSUMER TIME next week?
171. JOHN: Next week...the spice news. We're going to take inventory and see just what's on the shelves of America's spice cupboard
172. FREYMAN: Good. I've been wondering when there's going to be more black pepper.
173. JOHN: Well, we'll have the latest news on pepper and on the other spices. And you know, Mrs. Freyman, there are many fascinating stories about spices.

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2. *Pyrrhura* *caeruleifrons* (Gmelin) - Blue-fronted Parrot

3. *Pyrrhura* *flavifrons* (Gmelin) - Yellow-fronted Parrot

4. *Pyrrhura* *ochraceiceps* (Gmelin) - Orange-headed Parrot

5. *Pyrrhura* *viridicata* (Gmelin) - Green-headed Parrot

6. *Pyrrhura* *chlorotis* (Gmelin) - Green Parrot

7. *Pyrrhura* *caeruleogularis* (Gmelin) - Blue-throated Parrot

8. *Pyrrhura* *caeruleiceps* (Gmelin) - Blue-headed Parrot

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174. FREYMAN: I know, Johnny. They definitely have a romantic history.
175. JOHN: We're going to tell some of those stories next week.
176. FREYMAN: Don't forget some tips on how spices can help the homemaker who's cooking on a budget.
177. JOHN: Good idea...so friends, be with us next Saturday at the same time for another edition of
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